

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

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- 1 1. (currently amended) A method for extending a telephone's capability of a  
2 telephone comprising steps of:  
3 enabling a telephone to store call-related data in memory  
4 located within said telephone;  
5 enabling a computer to alternatively store said call-related data  
6 in memory located within said computer;  
7 receiving first call-related data at said telephone;  
8 recognizing that said first call-related data is to be stored in  
9 memory;  
10 determining, within said telephone, whether said first call-related  
11 data will be stored in said telephone memory or said computer memory; and  
12 memory;  
13 storing said first call-related data in said telephone memory or  
14 said computer memory based upon said determination;  
15 enabling a first processor located within said telephone to  
16 process data received at said telephone;  
17 enabling a second processor located within said computer to  
18 process data received at said telephone;  
19 recognizing that said first call-related data received at said  
20 telephone is to be processed in order to provide a particular telephone  
21 function; and  
22 determining, within said telephone, whether said first call-related  
23 data will be processed by said first processor or said second processor,  
24 including at least partially basing said determining upon whether said  
25 telephone has the processing capability to provide said particular telephone  
26 function, said telephone thereby controlling said first call-related data with  
27 respect to which of two structurally separate components will perform  
28 processing thereon;  
29 wherein said telephone is enabled to perform telephone  
30 functions independently of said computer, but is reliant upon cooperation with  
31 said computer in performing said particular telephone function.

1 2. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 further including a step of  
2 establishing a direct data connection between said telephone and said  
3 computer, said telephone and said computer being structurally separate  
4 components.

1 3. (original) The method of claim 2 wherein said telephone and said  
2 computer are located within a common workspace, said step of establishing  
3 said direct data connection being independent of providing connectivity for  
4 receiving said first call-related data.

1 4. (cancelled)

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1 5. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said step of determining includes  
2 steps of:  
3 monitoring storage availability within said telephone memory;  
4 comparing said monitored storage availability to a storage  
5 threshold that is related to said telephone memory; and  
6 storing said first call-related data in said computer memory when  
7 said storage threshold related to said telephone memory is exceeded.

1 6. (original) The method of claim 5 further including a step of retrieving  
2 call-related data from said computer to said telephone in response to signals  
3 from said telephone.

1 7. (cancelled)

1 8. (original) The method of claim 1 further including a step of utilizing a  
2 processor of said computer to process at least a portion of said first call-  
3 related data in response to instructions from said telephone.

1 9. (original) The method of claim 1 further including a step of establishing a  
2 data connection between said telephone and said computer by connecting  
3 said telephone separately to a telephone network and to said computer.

1 10-16. (cancelled)

1 17. (previously presented) A method of extending the capability of a  
2 telephone comprising the steps of:  
3 enabling a first processor resident in a telephone to process  
4 data received at said telephone;  
5 enabling a second processor resident in a computer to process  
6 data received at said telephone;  
7 establishing a direct data connection between said telephone  
8 and said computer, wherein said telephone and said computer are structurally  
9 separate components located within a common workspace and wherein said  
10 telephone is configured to perform telephone functions independently of said  
11 computer;  
12 receiving call-related data at said telephone;  
13 recognizing that said call-related data requires further process-  
14 ing;  
15 determining, using automated processing capabilities of said  
16 telephone, whether said call-related data will be processed in said first  
17 processor or said second processor, including basing said determination  
18 upon automated processing performed by said telephone; and  
19 processing said call-related data in either said telephone or  
20 said computer based upon said determination made using said automated  
21 processing capabilities.

1 18. (cancelled)

1 19. (previously presented) The method of claim 17 further including steps of:  
2 enabling said telephone to store data received at said telephone  
3 in memory located within said telephone;  
4 enabling said computer to store data received at said telephone  
5 in memory located within said computer;  
6 recognizing that said received call-related data is to be stored in  
7 memory;  
8 determining, within said telephone, whether said call-related  
9 data will be stored in said telephone memory or said computer memory; and  
10 storing said call-related data in said telephone memory or said  
11 computer memory based upon said determination.

1 20. (original) The method of claim 19 wherein said steps of determining are  
2 performed by an application programming interface residing within said  
3 telephone.

1 21. (new) The method of claim 17 wherein said steps of receiving, recogniz-  
2 ing, determining and processing all occur during a single telephone call in  
3 which said call-related data is received.